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In accordance Applicants' continued duty of disclosure, the following documents are brought to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0045419 Al German Patent Document No. 100 35 446 Al

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A listing on Form PTO/SB/08A is enclosed along with a copy of the non-U.S. documents.

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in a search report issued on August 25, 2005 in a corresponding European application.

The undersigned submits the above-identified references for independent consideration by the Examiner and does not make any admission that these references are or are not material to the present invention or that these references are or are not prior art with respect to the present invention.

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